

**CLAYTON COUNTY RECOGNIZES  
SEPTEMBER 2012 AS  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

- WHEREAS:** National Preparedness Month provides an opportunity for every Clayton County Citizen to learn the precautionary methods taken during emergencies, which can range from natural disasters to potential terrorist attacks; and
- WHEREAS:** Emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every Clayton County Citizen and remains a top priority. Individuals, families, and businesses should focus on important steps to prepare for an emergency. Steps include getting a kit, making a plan, being informed, and getting involved; and
- WHEREAS:** Clayton County Fire and Emergency Services, department officials, agencies on the local, state and federal levels, volunteers, and professional and private associations are working diligently to prevent and respond to all types of emergencies. These activities, along with community awareness, contribute to a level of local, state and national preparedness that is critical in providing safety to our county, state and homeland; and
- WHEREAS:** As "National Preparedness Month" is observed, we urge all adults and children to participate in citizen preparedness activities and to look for additional preparedness information on our website at [www.ReadyClayton.com](http://www.ReadyClayton.com) and on the Georgia Emergency Management Agency Ready website at [www.Ready.GA.gov](http://www.Ready.GA.gov); now
- THEREFORE:** I, ELDRIN BELL, Chairman, on behalf of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2012 as NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH in Clayton County, Georgia and recognize the importance of preparing for all potential emergencies.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Clayton County, Georgia, to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year two thousand twelve.

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Eldrin Bell, Chairman